

SPOUSAL MAINTENANCE ARE YOU ENTITLED?

The financial security of you and your family after separation is of crucial importance. This chart shows a brief overview of how a Court will think about calculating spousal support after a separation.

To calculate if spousal maintenance will be payable to you. Are you able to support yourself to a reasonable standard of living similar to that during the relationship? No maintenance payable VES to you. The Court will consider the reasons (including care of children, age, or physical or mental incapacity for gainful employment) why you are ΝΌ unable to support yourself adequately and decide if spousal maintenance is appropriate. No maintenance payable to Calculate your total income, subtract your reasonable you as you can not living expenses and substract any government benefits demonstrate a need for you receive. Do you have any funds left over? maintenance. Иρ Calculate the other party's total income, subtract their No maintenance payable to reasonable living expenses and subtract and government you, as the other party has no ability to pay. benefits they receive. Do they have any funds left over? YĖS If you have a need for spousal maintenance AND the other party has the ability to pay spousal maintenance the Court may make an Order that they pay spousal maintenance in an amount that they are reasonably able to pay.

IMPORTANT NOTE: This flowchart is a basic information only. Applying for Spousal Maintenance can be a complicated legal process and we recommend you seek legal advice. We can assist you to prepare documents, negotiate an outcome, and argue your case in Court.